



#### State of Utah

# Department of Natural Resources

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OGM	Pete Hess Environmental Scientist III	

## **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0070013
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL
Inspection Date:	Thursday, April 02, 2009
Start Date/Time:	4/2/2009 7:58:00 AM
End Date/Time:	4/2/2009 9:00:00 AM
Last Inspection:	Thursday, March 26, 2009

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: Sunny, warm; 40's F.
InspectionID Report Number: 1964

Accepted by: jhelfric 4/6/2009

Permitee: UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY INC Operator: UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY INC

Site: HORSE CANYON MINE

Address: PO BOX 986, PRICE UT 84501

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: ACTIVE

#### **Current Acreages**

Total Permitted	5,992.07	
Total Disturbed	99.56	
Phase I	61.65	
Phase II		
Phase III		

#### Mineral Ownership Types of Operations

✓ Federal ✓ Underground
✓ State □ Surface
✓ County □ Loadout
✓ Fee □ Processing
□ Other □ Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

Inspector's Signature:

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 46

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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#### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
- b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcemen
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale				
2.	Signs and Markers	✓			
3.	Topsoil				
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<b>✓</b>			
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	✓		<b>✓</b>	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<b>✓</b>			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations				
5.	Explosives	<b>V</b>			
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		<b>✓</b>		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments				
8.	Noncoal Waste	<b>V</b>			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	V		<b>V</b>	
10.	Slides and Other Damage		✓		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation				
12.	Backfilling And Grading				
13.	Revegetation				
14.	Subsidence Control		<b>✓</b>		
15.	Cessation of Operations				
16.a	Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<b>✓</b>			
16.b	Roads: Drainage Controls	<b>✓</b>			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations				
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit				
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22.	Other				

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### 4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The construction activities associated with both ponds continues. At the #1 pond, the trench which must be excavated to lower the undisturbed bypass culvert to the proper elevation is being excavated using explosives. A shot was made on April 1. Muck is being stored within the shop / warehouse pad, as per the approved plan. Pond #2, which will treat runoff from the truck loading loop and the office / parking lot pad, has been partially excavated to a depth which is at least twice what was previously felt as adequate. Based on numerous discussions with Mr. Marshall, a culvert / drop inlet arrangement will be installed on the NW corner of this pond to capture the access road runoff and direct it into this pond. Only about 20 feet of road will need to report to an alternate sediment control area before reporting to Lila Creek.

### 4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

Two items have been discussed with Mr. Marshall relative to the collection and monitoring of precipitation data for the Horse Canyon Mine / Lila Canyon Extension. The first item addresses (design) storm exceedances and the Permittees responsibilities relative to any possible failures of hydrologic controls within the disturbed area. The second item establishes the Divisions policy relative to adequate documentation of "no access" conditions preventing the required quarterly collection of surface and ground water monitoring data. This documentation is important to this site because of the excessive snow depths which can occur in the Book Clidds / Little Park area. There was no runoff observed at the Mine site this day.

#### 9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues

No birds were observed in flight over the Mine site during today's inspection.